

11 FAM 700

TREATIES AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

11 FAM 710

UNIFORM MEASURES AND PROCEDURES

*(CT:POL-57; 10-14-2014)
(Office of Origin: L/T)*

11 FAM 711 PURPOSE

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(State Only)*

- a. The purpose of this chapter is to facilitate the application of orderly and uniform measures and procedures for the negotiation, conclusion, publication, and registration of treaties and other international agreements of the United States. It is also designed to facilitate the maintenance of complete and accurate records on treaties and agreements and the publication of authoritative information regarding them.
- b. The chapter is not a catalog of all the essential guidelines or information pertaining to the making and application of international agreements. It is limited to guidelines or information necessary for general guidance.

11 FAM 712 AUTHORITIES

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Legal authorities underlying the provisions of 11 FAM 700 include but are not limited to:

- (1) U.S. Constitution, Article II;
- (2) 1 U.S.C. 112a *and* 1 U.S.C. 112b;
- (3) Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties;
- (4) 22 CFR 181; and
- (5) Delegation of Authority No. *311 (March 28, 2008)*.

11 FAM 713 ROLE OF THE OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ADVISER

713.1 Legal Review of Draft Agreements

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As soon as tentative provisions for an agreement are considered or drafted, the Office of the Legal Adviser will make available the services of an attorney-adviser to insure that the agreement is properly drafted and agreed policy is expressed clearly and fully. The Office of the Legal Adviser often prepares a draft in the first instance upon the request of another office.

713.2 Legal Clearance Required

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Any draft of a proposed treaty or agreement, or any action regarding the negotiation, conclusion, ratification or approval, or termination, as well as the existence, status, and application, of any international agreement to which the United States is or may become a party, should be cleared with the Office of the Legal Adviser (including the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs (*L/T*) as appropriate) and with other appropriate bureaus or offices and, as appropriate, with any other agency concerned with the treaty or international agreement.

11 FAM 714 DISCLAIMER

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This chapter is intended solely as a general outline of measures and procedures ordinarily followed. This outline cannot anticipate all circumstances or situations that may arise. Deviation or derogation from the provisions of this chapter will not invalidate actions taken by officers or affect the validity of negotiations engaged in or of treaties or other agreements concluded.

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